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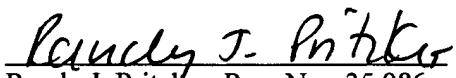
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RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed July 13, 2005, Applicant requests reconsideration of this application. To further the prosecution of the application, an election has been made.

In the Office Action, the Examiner required that this application be restricted to one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-7 and 28-30, drawn to a system and method for server providing multimedia resource updating indication to clients, classified in class 709, subclass 203;
- II. Claims 10-16 and 31-32, drawn to a system and method for multimedia file management, classified in class 707, subclass 104.1.
- III. Claims 17-22 and 33, drawn to a system and method for executing a query in a multimedia system, classified in class 707, subclass 3.

IV. Claims 8-9 and 23-27, drawn to a system and method for synchronizing the multimedia file in the network, classified in class 370, subclass 241.

Applicant hereby elects Group I, including claims 1-7 and 28-30, for examination in the present application. Applicant reserves the right to file divisional applications pursuing claims 8-27 and 31-33.

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